रिपोर्ट भी मिली है और उनका यह कहना है कि आज अगर हम 42 परसेंट पूरा कर पाते हैं तो 2010 तक हमारा प्रोडक्शन बढ़ने के बाद भी हम केवल 27 परसेंट पूर्ति कर पाएंगे । इसके बाद बहुत बड़ी मात्रा में हमें इम्पोर्टेड ऑयल पर निर्भर करना पड़ेगा और उस समय, जैसा आपने खुद माना है कि कीमतों का कहा नहीं जा सकता कि क्या होगा और कितना घाटा उठाना पड़ेगा । आप नए ऐक्स्प्लोरेशन कर रहे हैं, मेरा यह सवाल सीधा है कि जिन कुंओं से या जिन स्रोतों से अभी आप ऑयल निकाल रहे हैं, क्या इस बात की भी जांच की जा रही है कि इनमें और अधिक प्रोडक्शन कैपेसिटी है या नहीं और उसके लिए आप क्या योजना बना रहे हैं ?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Foreign investment in food processing sector

*121. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether various foreign investors have come forward to invest in the food processing sector in non-urban area;

(b) if so, the details of such proposals; and

(c) by when the foreign investment offered wuld actually reach the non-urban areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) to (c) During the post-liberalisation period, foreign investment of Rs. 2528 crores have been approved in the various sectors of food processing. Out of this, an investment of Rs. 2268 crores is for non-urban areas. Projects envisaging foreign investment of Rs. 522 crores have already been implemented in the non-urban areas. Normally, it takes about 2-3 years for implementation of the project.

Completion of Jakhapora-Bansapani rail line

*122. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in the completion of construction work of the main project of Jakhapora-Bansapani line in Orissa from the side of Bansapani and also from the side of Daitori, and

(b) the details of fund provision proposed to be made for completion of the remaining portion of that project?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Construction of Jakhapura-Daitari-Banspani rail line was approved in 1974-75 and Phase-I from Jakhapura to Daitari (33 kms.) was taken up and completed in 1981. However, after opening Jakhapura-Daitari section, the anticipated traffic of iron ore from Daitari Mines did not materialise, consequently and also due to severe constraint of resources, construction of balance portion from Daitari to Banspani could not be taken up and the same was deleted from 1988-89 Works Programme.

With the coming of the new steel plant in the area, the work was again included in the Budget for 1992-93 as an out of turn work.

The progress as on date from Banspani side is a follows:—

Banspani to Joruri (10 kms): 35 per cent completed. This section will be opened by June 1996. From Joruri to km. 123, works are in progress at various stages. The over all progress is about 10 per cent. From Daitari end, survey for the realignment as recommended by the Ministry of Environment and Forests has been completed and land demarcation at site is in progress.

(b) Total cost of the project is Rs. 242.55 crs. Amount spent upto 31-3-95 is expected to be Rs. 31.13 crs. Rs. 30 crs. has been provided in 95-96 Budget for this work. It is planned to complete this work in about 4 years, subject to availability of resources in the coming years.

Progress in the gas pipeline from an Arab country

*127. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the position of gas pipeline to be laid under sea connecting India and an Arab country.

(b) what is the estimated final cost of gas pipeline project; and

(c) what would be the cost per 1000 cubic meter of gas that would be supplied by the said gas pipeline?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) The Feasibility study for the Oman India Gas Pipeline Project is in progress.

(b) The Oman Oil Company has indicated an investment of USD 5 billion for the Project.

(c) The price of gas will be linked to basket of alternative fuels and will have a floor and a ceiling. The price variation formula will be mutually agreed after negotiation.

दक्षेस के सदस्य देशों द्वारा दक्षेस को निष्क्रिय बनाया जाना

128. **श्री गोविन्दराव आदिक :** क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दक्षिण शियाई क्षेत्रीय सहयोग संघ सम्मेलन के छ सदस्य देश संगठन को निष्क्रिय बनाने ो भूमिका अदा कर रहे हैं;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि दक्षेस की स्थापना के उद्देश्य पूरे नहीं हो रहे हैं ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो भारत ऐसे वातावरण में दक्षेस के संबंध में क्या रवैया अपनाना चाहता है ?

विदेश मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री आर०एल० भाटिया) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) जी नहीं । "सार्क" की स्थापना के पीछे जो उद्देश्य थे उन्हें विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में ठोस आधार दिया जा रहा है ।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Progress of South India Gas Grid

*129. SHRI S. VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present status of the proposal for South India Gas Grid;

(b) whether any memorandum of understanding or any agreement has been signed with any of the neighbouring countries; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) Government have approved in principle the concept of Southern Gas Grid. The Southern States have been requested to firm up the location and requirement of gas based projects in South India. The Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation has commissioned a pre-feasibility study for the Southern Gas Grid project.

(b) and (c) In respect of the import of natural gas from Oman and Iran, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed with Oman in March, 1993 and an Agreement on Principal Terms was signed in September, 1994. A Memoran-